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## **RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

This response is in reply to the election requirement mailed on August 13, 2008 in connection with the above-identified application. The time set for filing a response to the restriction requirement expires on September 13, 2008. Accordingly, the time for responding to the Office Action now expires on September 13, 2008, which is a Saturday, and this amendment is timely filed on Monday, September 15, 2008.

Applicants provisionally elect, with traverse, the subject matter in claims 36 and 37 wherein the single nucleotide polymorphisms include the nucleic acid sequences SEQ ID NOS. 457-467. Applicants respectfully reserve the right to pursue the sequences not elected in one or more divisional applications.